



STATE OF ALABAMA  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & INDUSTRIES



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Commissioner

## GRANT OPPORTUNITY

- Source:** National Research Initiative Competitive Grants Program  
USDA Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service
- Description:** The NRI Competitive Grants Program supports research, education, and extension projects that address key problems of national, regional, and multi-state importance in sustaining all components of agriculture, including sustainable alternative energy resources.
- Eligibility:** State and local governments, non-profits, individuals, public and state controlled institutions of higher learning, small businesses, for-profits organizations, and others.
- Cost Share:** Yes
- Funding:** Est. Program Total: \$181,000,000  
Award ceiling: \$1,500,000  
Award floor: \$5,000
- Application Closing Date:**  
Applications must be received by the date appropriate to the program area listed at the end of the FY 2008 Request for Applications.
- Application Information, Forms And Other Details:**  
[http://www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/rfas/nri\\_rfa.html](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/rfas/nri_rfa.html)
- NOTE:** Check each program area for deadlines for Letters of Intent and grant award dates. They vary by category and may be modified from time to time.
- Contact:** CSREES Help Desk  
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